

NEW SOUTH WALES.
SECTION 2. RAINFALL—INDEX.
MONTHLY SUMMARY
OF
BUSINESS STATISTICS
(WITH SUPPLEMENT).

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SECTION A.—RAINFALL AND PRODUCTION.

1. RAINFALL—INDEX.

Index showing Weighted Average Ratio of Actual to Normal Rainfall.

(Average rainfall for each month = 100.)

Month.	Sheep Districts.					Wheat Districts.				Dairying Districts (Coastal only).			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1944.													
February ...	70	78	11	112	58	83	56	11	32	29	70	12	37
March ...	19	50	57	30	41	15	52	55	49	54	51	25	50
April ...	34	33	105	70	61	52	36	104	80	4	48	102	28
May ...	122	123	155	63	127	169	118	134	135	27	51	232	59
June ...	21	13	13	19	16	21	13	12	14	62	62	20	57
July ...	109	67	41	61	70	102	59	41	53	188	105	43	148
August ...	233	152	42	175	142	230	127	47	90	279	189	109	234
September ...	47	34	20	19	31	34	39	19	26	77	59	16	65
October ...	30	33	95	28	52	23	38	98	73	31	33	54	34
November ...	35	45	46	32	41	39	43	47	45	73	31	28	56
December ...	42	8	55	49	37	34	11	56	42	59	32	43	50
1945.													
January ...	104	151	114	42	114	109	159	116	127	51	83	134	70
February ...	189	125	82	69	123	155	110	71	92	106	89	86	99

N.—Northern; C.—Central; S.—Southern; W.—Western; T.—Total, all districts.

2. WOOL.

The total production of wool in New South Wales was 546,273,000 lb. in 1939-40; 536,907,000 lb. in 1940-41; 547,000,000 lb. in 1941-42; 497,538,000 lb. in 1942-43 and 537,410,000 lb. in 1943-44.

The British Government has entered into a contract with the Commonwealth to purchase the wool clips of Australia for the duration of the war and one year thereafter. The agreed average price for seasons 1939-40 to 1941-42 was 10'75d. sterling or 13'4375d. Australian Currency, per lb. This price was increased to 12'3625d. sterling or 15'4531d. Australian Currency per lb., commencing with the 1942-43 clip.

Month.	Number of Bales Received into Store in Sydney.							
	During Month.				Total for Season to end of Month.			
	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
July ...	80,397	67,442	83,715	76,207	80,397	67,442	83,715	76,207
August ...	191,662	128,260	105,532	113,506	272,059	195,702	189,247	189,713
September ...	269,889	180,883	158,065	73,356	541,948	376,585	347,312	263,069
October ...	288,766	195,950	173,622	129,588	830,714	572,535	520,934	392,657
November ...	166,462	159,518	128,231	166,656	997,176	732,053	649,165	559,313
December ...	63,866	88,943	94,774	111,713	1,061,042	820,996	743,939	671,026
January ...	24,821	37,213	135,652	101,888	1,085,863	858,209	879,591	772,914
February ...	31,461	30,274	60,931	24,884	1,117,324	888,483	940,522	797,798
March ...	29,000	44,208	43,493	.....	1,146,324	932,691	984,015	.....
April ...	43,583	40,835	42,000	.....	1,189,907	973,526	1,026,015	.....
May ...	36,173	41,491	51,274	.....	1,226,080	1,015,017	1,077,289	.....
June ...	37,597	56,745	56,870	.....	1,263,677	1,071,762	1,134,159	.....

3. WHEAT.

Production in New South Wales. Compiled from returns of wheatgrowers.

Season.	Area under Wheat.		Yield of Grain.	
	Total.	Harvested For Grain.	Total.	Average per Acre.
Average 1933-34	acres.	acres.	bushels.	bushels.
to 1942-43	4,492,000	4,126,000	52,591,000	12·7
1940-41... ..	4,866,000	4,454,000	23,933,000	5·4
1941-42... ..	4,342,000	3,969,000	48,500,000	12·2
1942-43... ..	3,386,000	3,033,000	51,693,000	17·0
1943-44... ..	2,975,000	2,693,000	47,500,000	17·6

The final estimate by the Division of Marketing, Department of Agriculture, of the 1944-45 wheat yield is 17,978,000 bushels.

4. BUTTER OUTPUT—N.S.W. FACTORIES.

The British Government purchases under contract the exportable surplus of Australian butter. The contract price for choicest is 142s. 10d. per cwt. f.o.b. Australian ports. The wholesale price for local consumption has been 166s. 10d. per cwt. since 6th March, 1942.

Month.	Average, 1937-38 to 1939-40.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
Thousand lb.					
July	5,061	4,592	5,163	3,313	2,462
August	5,361	4,638	5,346	3,279	3,065
September	7,093	5,850	5,952	4,933	5,397
October	10,107	7,504	7,499	8,626	8,488
November	13,128	7,935	11,275	11,553	8,168
December	13,471	8,608	12,032	13,079	7,532
January	12,310	6,664	13,044	12,821	8,004
February	11,816	8,311	10,219	10,184	.....
March	11,370	10,116	8,648	8,440	.....
April	10,044	8,642	6,129	5,165	.....
May	8,145	6,789	4,789	3,870	.....
June	6,024	5,467	3,679	2,594	.....
Year	113,930	85,116	93,775	87,857	.....
Seven Months ended Jan.	66,531	45,791	60,311	57,604	43,116

5. MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.

The following results from 42 large factories afford an indication of trends in manufacturing:—

Month.	Factory Sales.				Employees.				Weekly Salaries and Wages.			
	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
	Thousand £.				Hundreds.				Hundred £.			
January ...	4,519	5,808	4,965	4,983	282	275	261	241	1,459	1,563	1,493	1,393
February ...	4,768	4,799	5,712	.....	282	272	258	.....	1,484	1,546	1,476	.....
March ...	5,097	5,451	5,765	.....	280	270	256	.....	1,477	1,534	1,469	.....
April ...	4,904	5,424	4,830	.....	278	271	256	.....	1,513	1,561	1,449	.....
May ...	4,925	5,696	5,878	.....	278	269	253	.....	1,517	1,517	1,447	.....
June ...	5,077	5,632	5,478	.....	277	269	252	.....	1,564	1,544	1,433	.....
July ...	5,410	5,520	5,061	.....	277	268	251	.....	1,531	1,514	1,426	.....
August ...	5,003	5,500	5,476	.....	277	266	249	.....	1,532	1,533	1,413	.....
September ...	5,352	5,710	5,222	.....	277	267	248	.....	1,564	1,525	1,416	.....
October ...	5,420	5,753	5,449	.....	280	266	247	.....	1,576	1,536	1,400	.....
November ...	5,826	5,701	5,811	.....	280	264	246	.....	1,603	1,517	1,433	.....
December ...	5,853	5,653	5,159	.....	279	265	246	.....	1,583	1,552	1,441	.....
Average (January-December)	5,180	5,554	5,400	279	269	252	1,534	1,537	1,441

Further particulars of employment in factories are shown in Table 20.

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6. BUILDING INDUSTRY.

(a) SUMMARY OF PRIVATE BUILDING.

Value of permits to erect new buildings and additions (compiled from returns of Municipal and certain Shire Councils). Government buildings are excluded.

Year.	Month of February.					December Quarter.		
	Sydney and Suburbs.	City of Sydney.	Suburbs of Sydney.			Industrial and Rural Towns.	Total, New South Wales.*	
	Total New Buildings and Additions.	New Buildings and Additions.	New Buildings.			New Buildings.	New Buildings and Additions.	
			No. of Permits.	Value.		No. of Permits.	Value.	
	£	£		£		£	£	
1942 ...	121,011	19,485	37	46,575	100	52,279	587,402	
1943 ...	80,654	10,009	19	27,461	70	43,037	402,011	
1944 ...	132,814	8,498	17	28,919	142	79,572	753,205	
1945 ...	191,376	31,418	99	108,668	...	...	...

* Metropolis, 7 adjacent Shires and 129 rural and industrial towns; other areas not recorded.

(b) CLASSES OF PRIVATE BUILDING.

The following dissection of private building permits granted in Sydney and Suburbs and in 129 Industrial and Rural Towns in N.S.W. shows the total value for each of the principal classes of building :—

Period.	Value of New Buildings and Alterations and Additions.						
	Houses.		Flats. (a)	Factories.	Shops (b) and Public Garages.	Other (Offices, Hotels, Hospitals, etc.).	Total.
	Brick.	Wood, Fibro, etc.					
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
<i>Sydney and Suburbs.</i>							
Month of February—							
1943	2	5	...	64	...	10	81
1944	6	6	1	111	1	8	133
1945	25	40	1	86	1	38	191
Eight months ended 28th Feb.							
1943	23	22	1	677	11	190	924
1944	26	36	9	631	6	184	892
1945	135	188	11	692	13	228	1,267
<i>129 Industrial and Rural Towns.</i>							
December Quarter—							
1943	6	26	1	34	5	25	97
1944	7	59	1	59	4	33	163
Six months ended 31st Dec.							
1943	10	56	1	70	7	63	207
1944	15	115	2	94	10	91	327

Includes (a) conversions to flats; (b) shops with dwellings attached.

(c) GOVERNMENT BUILDING.

In addition to total for private building shown above, value of work authorised and contracts accepted for the erection of buildings on behalf of Governments and semi-Governmental authorities in New South Wales was as follow :—

Area.	Value of New Buildings and Additions (Governmental).			
	Month of February.		Eight months ended 28th Feb.	
	*1944.	1945.	*1944.	1945.
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Sydney and Suburbs	155	98	1,480	1,306
Remainder of State	62	101	525	861
Total, New South Wales	217	199	2,005	2,167

NOTE.—Temporary structures for protection against Air Raids and alterations for this purpose are, in general, excluded.

* Revised.

SECTION B.—TRADE.

7. WHOLESALE TRADE.

Approximate Amount of Sales (N.S.W.) by Traders Registered under Sales Tax Acts.
Total Taxable and Exempt Goods.

Period.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
Million £.							
Year ended 31st December ...	200'29	202'79	229'03	238'65	240'54	251'40	.....
January ...	13'24	16'33	15'83	18'69	17'18	18'01	18'62
February ...	16'54	14'64	17'48	19'39	21'60	20'48	.....
March ...	15'78	16'97	17'40	19'53	19'44	18'00	.....
April ...	15'79	17'88	19'06	19'19	21'88	21'68	.....
May ...	17'46	14'85	18'75	20'72	19'56	21'45	.....
June ...	14'88	17'07	21'76	18'93	20'91	20'67	.....
July ...	15'28	16'74	17'63	19'17	19'81	20'87	.....
August ...	16'81	17'17	20'41	20'86	18'75	23'82	.....
September ...	19'44	17'48	21'60	19'59	19'93	21'46	.....
October ...	19'22	18'50	18'25	22'06	20'80	21'82	.....
November ...	17'53	18'13	20'58	19'54	21'07	20'30	.....
December ...	18'32	17'03	20'28	20'98	19'61	22'84	.....

8. RETAIL TRADE.

Returns collected by the Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with the Commonwealth Bank from the principal Sydney stores indicate the following increases or decreases per cent. for periods shown below compared with corresponding periods of previous year:—

Period.	Number of Business Days in Period.		Net Sales (Value).	Value of Stock.	Wages and Salaries Paid.	Number of Employees.	Three Monthly Moving Average ended month shown.	
	Previous Year.	Current Year.					Net Sales (Value).	Wages and Salaries Paid.
Percentage increase + or decrease —								
Year ended December—								
1938 ...	303	303	+ 4'8	+ 5'2	+ 11'6	+ 5'0		
1939 ...	303	303	+ 2'4	+ 2'0	+ 2'6	+ 0'9		
1940 ...	303	305	+ 6'3	+ 17'0	+ 4'0	+ 1'9		
1941 ...	305	304	+ 14'6	+ 8'0	+ 9'0	+ 4'0		
1942 ...	304	303	— 5'3	+ 9'2	— 5'1	— 8'4		
1943 ...	303	306	— 11'3	— 6'8	— 9'7	+ 17'6		
1944 ...	306	302	+ 3'2	— 0'2	— 4'6	+ 1'4		
1944.								
January ...	25	23	— 10'0	— 12'6	— 5'5	— 11'0	— 1'1	— 4'9
February ...	24	25	+ 1'6	— 2'9	+ 1'9	— 7'4	— 0'2	— 3'2
March ...	27	27	+ 10'4	— 5'1	— 1'3	— 8'8	+ 1'3	— 1'8
April ...	23	21	— 8'8	— 3'3	— 6'6	— 8'5	+ 0'5	— 2'2
May ...	26	27	+ 0'7	— 0'6	— 0'8	— 6'6	+ 0'5	— 2'9
June ...	26	25	+ 2'7	+ 0'8	— 2'2	— 7'5	+ 1'8	— 3'2
July ...	27	26	+ 3'8	— 0'4	— 3'6	— 5'4	+ 2'1	— 2'2
August ...	26	27	+ 11'8	+ 4'2	+ 2'4	— 4'3	+ 6'1	— 1'1
September ...	26	26	+ 3'7	+ 5'0	— 1'5	— 3'8	+ 6'6	— 0'9
October ...	25	25	+ 5'6	+ 4'3	+ 0'1	— 3'2	+ 7'0	+ 0'3
November ...	26	26	+ 10'6	+ 4'4	+ 0'9	— 2'5	+ 6'8	— 0'2
December ...	25	24	+ 6'1	+ 4'6	— 0'6	— 1'3	+ 7'4	+ 0'1
1945.								
January ...	23	25	+ 20'1	+ 2'6	+ 5'2	— 0'9	+ 11'0	+ 1'6

Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 20.

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SECTION C.—TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC.

9. RAILWAYS.

NEW SOUTH WALES RAILWAYS REVENUE AND BUSINESS.

The financial results of operations were:—

	Month of January.			Seven Months ended 31st January.		
	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses.*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses.	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses.*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1943 ...	2,885,093	1,820,550	1,064,543	20,162,920	14,416,303	5,746,617
1944 ...	2,821,773	1,881,380	940,393	20,543,485	15,156,255	5,387,230
1945 ...	2,737,747	1,901,853	835,894	18,737,931	13,926,999	4,810,932

* Excluding capital charges, viz. interest, exchange, sinking fund, etc., which amounted to £7,012,000 in 1943-44.
† Excluding Government contribution £900,000 annually for developmental lines.

	Month of January.		Seven Months ended 31st January.	
	Tonnage of Goods and Livestock.*	Passenger Journeys.	Tonnage of Goods and Livestock.*	Passenger Journeys.
	thousands.	thousands.	thousands.	thousands.
1943 ...	1,586	20,385	11,625	136,541
1944 ...	1,439	21,282	11,512	144,409
1945 ...	1,544	22,106	11,162	145,866

* Partly estimated.

10. TRAMWAYS AND OMNIBUSES.

SERVICES OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ROAD TRANSPORT, NEW SOUTH WALES

PERIOD.	SYDNEY AND SUBURBS.			NEWCASTLE AND SUBURBS.		
	Earnings.	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses.*	Passengers carried.†	Earnings.	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses.*	Passengers carried.
Month of January—	£	£	thousands.	£	£	thousands.
1943 ...	438,449	67,478	39,429	44,265	9,829	3,506
1944 ...	444,800	63,700	40,492	47,900	9,700	3,809
1945 ...	459,600	58,400	43,598	50,800	10,400	4,123
Seven months ended 31st January—						
1943 ...	2,956,862	364,398	264,281	288,039	53,670	22,953
1944 ...	3,013,520	274,810	275,108	306,520	43,400	24,534
1945 ...	3,083,800	302,300	294,577	327,400	47,000	26,735

* Exclusive of Sinking Fund, Interest on Loan Capital, Exchange and Current Depreciation (Sydney and Newcastle), which amounted to £546,700 in 1943-44.

† Exclusive of Sydney Harbour Bridge passengers whose journey did not extend beyond the Bridge Section.

11. MOTOR VEHICLES.

NUMBER OF REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES (N.S.W.) AS AT VARIOUS DATES.
(Exclusive of Vehicles of Defence Services.)

Class.	1939- 31st August.	1943-		1944-			1945.	
		28th February.	31st December.	29th February.	30th June.	31st December.	31st January.	28th February.
Cars ...	216,633	172,735	177,245	178,299	180,938	184,364	184,640	184,848
Lorries and Vans ...	77,639	71,401	75,068	75,929	78,023	80,495	80,824	81,169
Trailers ...	6,538	6,803	7,409	7,009	7,621	8,401	8,657	8,755
Tractors† ...	1,102	1,388	1,429	1,443	1,517	1,636	1,652	1,646
Cycles—Solo ...	17,111	9,904	9,842	9,934	11,162	11,649	11,685	11,726
Cycles—Side-car ...	6,884	4,668	4,518	4,504	3,735	3,897	3,912	3,946
Omnibuses ...	794	910	913	924	977	1,018	1,013	1,013
Taxi-cabs ...	1,331	1,350	1,348	1,348	1,349	1,352	1,352	1,352
Traders' Plates ...	1,187	586	634	606	624	642	628	631
Total ...	329,219	269,805	278,406	280,656	285,946	293,554	294,363	295,086

† Excluding tractors used on farms only.

Average Weekly Number of New Vehicles Registered.*

Year.	Cars (Including Cabs and Omnibuses).						Lorries and Vans.					
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
1940-41 ...	118	128	173	163	141	163	63	64	77	69	53	70
1941-42 ...	32	44	43	38	23	26	41	43	52	61	32	25
1942-43 ...	16	21	18	12	7	19	7	4	5	2	6	8
1943-44 ...	4	6	4	5	3	5	60	64	86	94	67	74
1944-45 ...	6	6	10	9	5	6	66	53	65	58	38	48

* Excluding trailers.

12. WIRELESS LICENSES.

BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENSES IN FORCE IN N.S.W.

(Excluding Experimental Licenses.)

End of Month.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
March ...	447,310	491,816	502,810	536,795	560,665
June ...	458,155	494,884	500,451	552,044	560,032
September ...	479,485	500,125	509,332	554,227	563,425
October ...	483,148	499,804	515,228	555,450	561,504
November ...	482,837	499,614	519,375	557,140	562,093
December ...	483,875	501,253	523,920	558,381	560,717
January ...	485,854	503,346	527,733	556,775	564,184
February ...	488,362	500,449	533,597	561,066	563,702

SECTION D.—FINANCIAL.

13. SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS (NEW SOUTH WALES).†

As at June 30th.	Amount of Deposits.†	End of Month.	Amount of Deposits.		
			1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£		£	£	£
1933 ...	72,307,685	March ...	89,458,641	115,641,889	154,153,971
1934 ...	75,714,070	April ...	91,110,603	115,500,011	156,024,547
1935 ...	77,906,402	May ...	92,925,282	118,016,266	157,044,862
1936 ...	79,999,948	June† ...	94,537,937	122,405,481	162,867,225
1937 ...	81,952,399	July ...	97,330,938	126,688,719	166,751,050
1938 ...	86,015,685	August ...	99,727,345	130,518,639	170,103,712
1939 ...	87,473,789	September ...	101,385,379	134,162,891	173,037,207
1940 ...	82,110,900	October ...	103,583,441	136,326,132	173,980,838
1941 ...	87,750,208	November ...	104,929,899	138,328,054	176,747,773
1942 ...	94,537,937	December ...	105,744,876	142,108,496	179,128,213
1943 ...	122,405,481	January ...	109,220,389	146,283,258	181,801,334
1944 ...	162,867,225	February ...	112,817,955	150,374,605	184,725,201

† Including accrued interest.

‡ Amount at credit of depositors' accounts.

WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES: The net amount received from sales of certificates less re-purchases in New South Wales totalled £17,569,797 as at 28th February, 1945, including £164,574 net receipts in February.

14. TRADING BANKS*—DEPOSITS, ETC., IN AUSTRALIA.

December Quarter.	Deposits.	Cash in Aust.†	Treasury Bills.	Govt. and Municipal Securities.	Special Wartime Deposits with Comw'th Bank.	Advances.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1941 ...	379,272	44,807	46,012	62,313	2,625	277,977
1942 ...	419,427	50,626	58,300	60,103	54,570	249,631
1943 ...	487,979	40,011	61,404	79,037	124,547	235,507
1944 ...	560,589	38,838	63,200	104,888	190,768	211,804

*Nine Private Banks.

† Exclusive of London Funds.

15. PRIVATE BUSINESS IN PRIVATE BANKS (N.S.W.).

(Excluding Commonwealth and Rural Banks, and excluding Government deposits and Government Securities in Private Trading Banks.)

December Quarter.	Deposits.			Advances.	Excess of Deposits over Advances.
	Not Bearing Interest (Current).	Bearing Interest (Fixed).	Total.		
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1941 ...	76,432	65,856	142,288	113,565	28,723
1942 ...	91,676	61,909	153,585	102,043	51,542
1943 ...	111,460	69,116	180,576	91,120	89,456
1944 ...	135,603	76,758	212,361	84,270	128,091

16. INTER-BANK CLEARINGS (SYDNEY).

(Value of cheques drawn on a Bank other than the Bank in which they were Deposited.)

Month.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
	Amount—Million £							Index Numbers.						
January ...	66.5	82.7	90.3	92.0	106.7	107.5	114.2	98	110	117	123	136	150	152
February ...	75.5	88.9	82.0	97.1	105.7	121.2	114.1	96	110	114	123	139	147	149
March ...	80.5	87.8	89.4	102.6	123.4	130.1	...	93	107	110	119	138	146	...
April ...	70.7	84.3	86.9	95.4	125.3	108.4	...	98	111	111	125	150	150	...
May ...	82.0	90.2	106.3	98.9	123.0	143.5	...	100	111	117	125	155	158	...
June ...	80.3	94.5	97.4	116.6	132.6	140.1	...	101	115	123	133	163	166	...
July ...	71.2	94.6	98.9	99.7	114.3	122.9	...	98	116	125	130	155	168	...
August ...	74.9	83.6	87.0	99.0	122.7	127.4	...	99	118	123	135	160	169	...
September ...	74.9	84.5	94.9	105.6	116.5	120.9	...	99	117	124	134	155	163	...
October ...	78.0	90.1	101.8	115.0	115.5	123.7	...	100	113	123	138	152	159	...
November ...	86.1	93.5	99.6	105.0	129.3	126.3	...	102	114	124	135	149	153	...
December ...	91.7	100.1	104.9	121.6	127.3	127.6	...	106	115	124	136	150	152	...
Year ...	932.3	1074.8	1139.4	1248.5	1442.3	1499.6	...	100	113	120	131	151	156	...

The index may be regarded as an approximate measure of changes in the volume of business transactions settled by cheques provided it is considered in conjunction with changes in price levels. It represents the ratio of each month's clearings to the average for the month concerned during the five years 1926-1930. This average is represented by 100 each month. Seasonal fluctuations have thus been eliminated. Casual fluctuations in monthly index numbers have been smoothed out by taking a three months' moving average, that is, the index shown above for each month is the average of the actual index of that month and the preceding two months. It may be compared vertically or horizontally.

The index is adjusted to eliminate the effects of Treasury Bill and other special transactions on behalf of Governments and the effects of bank amalgamations. No adjustment has been made for normal growth or change of price levels. The amounts of clearings shown are the recorded totals less Treasury Bill transactions only.

17. INTEREST RATES PER CENT. (N.S.W.).

Period.	Private First Mortgages Registered. Weighted Average Rate of Interest.*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†—subject to Commonwealth Income Tax—				
			Not exceeding Rates in force in 1930.			At Current Rates.	
	Urban Securities.	Rural Securities.	Short- dated.	Medium- dated.	Long- dated.	Short- dated. 2 years.	Long- dated. 12 years.
			Under 5 years.	5 to 10 years.	10 years and over.		
Average for year—							
1938	5'4	5'0	3'38	3'71	3'76	...	...
1939	5'6	5'2	3'84	3'87	3'92	...	...
1940	5'6	5'1	3'14	3'25	3'30	...	...
1941	5'5	4'9	2'45	2'95	3'10	...	...
			2 years.	7 years.	12 years.		
1941	5'5	4'9	2'42	2'87	3'13	2'47	3'23
1942	5'4	4'9	2'39	2'89	3'11	2'45	3'24
1943	5'0	4'7	2'43	2'72	§	2'48	3'23
1944	5'0	4'4	2'30	2'60	...	2'45	3'24
Months—							
1944—March...	5'0	4'5	2'40	2'69	...	2'43	3'24
June	5'0	4'4	2'32	2'62	...	2'44	3'24
September ...	5'0	4'6	2'34	2'49	...	2'47	3'24
December ...	5'0	4'3	2'19	2'51	...	2'49	3'24
1945—January ...	4'9	4'4	2'07	2'43	...	2'48	3'24
February ...	4'9	4'4	2'08	2'41	...	2'46	3'25

* Average of three months ended month shown.

† Compiled by Commonwealth Bank as at last Wednesday in month.

§ Subsequent yields uncertain.

18. REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS (N.S.W.).

(Registered under Real Property Act and Registration of Deeds Act.)

Month.	Consideration of Sales.					Amount of Mortgages.*				
	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
	Thousand £.									
January	2,383	2,815	1,226	1,090	1,786	1,148	916	595	383	608
February	2,557	2,472	1,294	1,507	1,999	1,329	975	390	611	593
March	2,677	2,083	1,550	1,552	...	1,320	996	503	663	...
April	2,574	2,276	1,517	931	...	1,305	891	536	302	...
May	2,835	1,154	1,185	1,307	...	1,324	526	381	495	...
June	3,020	1,266	1,358	1,809	...	1,273	599	400	687	...
July	3,165	1,540	1,783	1,992	...	1,470	622	399	543	...
August	2,545	1,621	1,379	2,241	...	1,213	451	450	723	...
September ...	2,941	1,616	1,551	1,772	...	1,571	516	432	597	...
October	3,013	1,514	1,549	1,654	...	1,413	423	618	634	...
November ...	2,548	1,942	1,558	1,899	...	1,022	530	558	529	...
December ...	2,972	1,269	1,592	1,708	...	1,242	562	494	699	...
Year	33,239	21,609	17,542	19,462	...	15,630	8,007	5,756	6,866	...

* Including new mortgages and renewals as registered.

NOTE.—The amounts shown relate substantially to mortgages of fixed amounts for fixed periods, and exclude fluctuating advances (such as overdrafts) secured by mortgage. Mortgages providing collateral security are included.

19. LIENS ON CROPS AND WOOL AND MORTGAGES ON LIVESTOCK.

(Registered under Liens on Crops and Wool and Stock Mortgages Act.)

	Month of February.			Two Months ended 28th February.		
	Crops.	Wool.*	Livestock.*	Crops.	Wool.*	Livestock.*
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1943	123,366	235,052	53,914	217,754	387,413	165,304
1944	153,815	112,626	40,540	200,596	191,055	89,375
1945	160,505	109,526	87,584	232,819	208,208	156,427

See note under Table 18. * Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both heading.

SECTION E.—GENERAL.

20. EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVIL EMPLOYMENT.

The estimates shown below are based on Civilian Registers and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth Pay-roll Tax as from July, 1941. Employees in defence forces at home or abroad and Government "relief" workers are not included.

Month.	Estimated Total Employment. (Excluding Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces.)			Estimated Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities.	Private Employers.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories.	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services.
	(a)			(b)	(c)					(d)
MALES. (Thousands.)										
1933—June ...	103.2	277.5	380.7	...	94.5	...	...	...	...	...
1939—July ...	136.5	393.4	529.9	...	158.8	...	...	...	...	...
1941—July ...	141.5	404.8	546.3	25.8	202.1	53.6	78.2	41.3	43.3	52.5
1942—July ...	158.6	376.0	534.6	25.4	213.3	44.2	80.3	32.3	36.0	45.0
1943—July ...	156.6	365.4	522.0	25.1	217.8	29.9	81.5	28.7	33.2	43.3
Nov. ...	153.9	366.2	520.1	25.0	219.5	29.1	80.9	28.2	33.8	44.1
Dec. ...	152.6	369.2	521.8	24.7	220.0	28.8	80.9	29.7	33.5	44.5
1944—Jan. ...	152.5	369.6	522.1	24.6	219.9	28.1	81.5	28.4	34.1	44.8
Feb. ...	153.0	369.6	522.6	24.7	219.7	28.0	82.2	28.3	34.2	44.7
Mar. ...	152.4	370.8	523.2	24.7	219.6	28.1	81.9	28.3	34.5	44.9
April ...	151.6	369.8	521.4	24.5	218.1	27.5	82.3	28.4	34.3	45.0
May ...	152.3	369.2	521.5	24.6	217.7	27.0	82.8	28.5	34.2	45.0
June ...	152.3	369.9	522.2	24.4	217.8	25.7	84.4	28.6	34.5	45.1
July ...	152.4	369.7	522.1	24.4	217.5	26.2	84.1	28.4	34.2	45.4
Aug. ...	153.2	369.0	522.2	24.4	216.3	25.0	85.2	28.7	34.6	45.8
Sept. ...	154.2	369.4	523.6	24.7	215.3	26.4	85.4	28.6	35.1	45.9
Oct. ...	152.5	370.7	523.2	24.7	215.9	26.3	84.1	28.7	35.2	46.0
Nov. ...	153.4	372.5	525.9	24.8	215.2	26.8	85.6	29.1	35.6	46.2
Dec. ...	152.1	374.3	526.4	24.5	215.0	27.4	84.4	30.5	35.6	46.4
1945—Jan. ...	152.8	375.0	527.8	24.8	215.7	27.8	85.6	29.5	35.7	46.8
FEMALES. (Thousands.)										
1933—June ...	16.8	109.0	125.8	...	36.3	...	...	...	...	...
1939—July ...	19.4	148.6	168.0	...	59.3	...	...	...	...	...
1941—July ...	21.7	192.4	214.1	0.2	76.0	0.7	8.1	40.9	17.6	56.8
1942—July ...	29.3	203.6	232.9	0.2	84.8	0.7	9.0	41.1	20.7	58.9
1943—July ...	45.8	204.1	249.9	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	38.5	20.5	62.3
Nov. ...	47.0	208.3	255.3	0.2	96.9	0.7	13.4	38.3	20.8	64.4
Dec. ...	46.4	210.0	256.4	0.2	96.4	0.7	13.4	40.1	20.8	64.1
1944—Jan. ...	46.6	205.5	252.1	0.2	94.4	0.7	13.5	37.5	20.6	64.4
Feb. ...	47.2	205.5	252.7	0.2	94.1	0.7	13.8	37.3	20.6	64.8
Mar. ...	47.0	207.0	254.0	0.2	94.8	0.7	13.6	37.1	20.4	65.5
April ...	46.8	205.1	251.9	0.2	94.2	0.7	13.6	37.0	20.3	65.0
May ...	46.0	205.6	251.6	0.2	92.2	0.7	13.7	37.3	20.2	65.2
June ...	45.3	205.1	250.4	0.2	91.8	0.7	13.8	37.3	20.3	65.4
July ...	45.5	206.1	251.6	0.2	92.2	0.8	13.9	37.2	20.4	65.7
Aug. ...	45.4	206.5	251.9	0.2	92.0	0.7	14.0	37.2	20.4	66.1
Sept. ...	44.4	207.3	251.7	0.2	91.5	0.7	14.0	37.3	20.8	66.7
Oct. ...	44.7	207.8	252.5	0.2	91.0	0.7	14.0	37.7	20.8	67.4
Nov. ...	44.5	209.3	253.8	0.2	90.8	0.7	14.0	38.7	20.8	67.8
Dec. ...	44.2	210.3	254.5	0.2	90.3	0.7	14.0	40.4	20.7	67.4
1945—Jan. ...	43.9	207.3	251.2	0.2	88.8	0.7	14.0	38.5	20.7	67.6
TOTAL. (Thousands.)										
1933—June ...	120.0	386.5	506.5	...	130.8	...	...	...	...	...
1939—July ...	155.9	542.0	697.9	...	218.1	...	...	...	...	...
1941—July ...	163.2	597.2	760.4	26.0	278.1	54.3	86.3	82.2	60.9	109.3
1942—July ...	187.9	579.6	767.5	25.6	292.4	44.9	89.3	73.4	56.7	104.9
1943—July ...	202.4	569.5	771.9	25.3	316.4	30.6	94.4	67.2	53.7	105.6
Nov. ...	200.9	574.5	775.4	25.2	316.4	29.8	94.3	66.5	54.6	108.5
Dec. ...	199.0	579.2	778.2	24.9	316.4	29.5	94.3	69.8	54.3	108.6
1944—Jan. ...	199.1	575.1	774.2	24.8	314.3	28.8	95.0	65.9	54.7	109.4
Feb. ...	200.2	575.1	775.3	24.9	313.8	28.7	96.0	65.6	54.8	109.5
Mar. ...	199.4	577.8	777.2	24.9	314.4	28.8	95.5	65.4	54.9	110.4
April ...	198.4	574.9	773.3	24.7	312.3	28.2	95.9	65.4	54.6	110.0
May ...	198.3	574.8	773.1	24.8	309.9	27.7	96.5	65.8	54.4	110.2
June ...	197.6	575.0	772.6	24.6	309.6	26.4	98.2	65.9	54.8	110.5
July ...	197.9	575.8	773.7	24.6	308.7	27.0	98.0	65.6	54.6	111.1
Aug. ...	198.6	575.5	774.1	24.6	308.3	25.7	99.2	65.9	55.0	111.9
Sept. ...	197.2	578.5	775.7	24.9	306.8	27.1	99.4	65.9	55.9	112.6
Oct. ...	197.9	581.8	779.7	24.9	306.9	27.0	98.1	66.4	56.0	113.4
Nov. ...	196.3	584.6	780.9	24.7	305.3	28.1	98.4	70.9	56.3	113.8
Dec. ...	196.8	582.9	779.7	25.0	304.5	28.5	99.6	68.0	56.4	114.4

(a) Employees of Commonwealth, State and Local Government Authorities and of Allied Governments.

(b) Exclusive of Working Proprietors. Numbers from July, 1943, have been revised since last issue; those from July, 1944, are subject to further revision.

(c) Includes Allied Works projects.

(d) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants, Professional and Personal Services (except private domestic).

21. CONSUMPTION OF GAS AND ELECTRICITY.

Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity (Sydney).

(Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units.)

Month.	Average, 1929 to 1931.	1929.	1932.	1936.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
January ...	100	103	93	110	119	125	136	141	141	164	155	173
February ...	100	105	95	112	122	125	135	142	145	159	161	174
March ...	100	102	95	111	121	130	130	143	146	164	165	...
April ...	100	104	96	110	119	125	137	141	147	164	162	...
May ...	100	106	95	110	122	128	128	146	144	166	172	...
June ...	100	103	99	114	127	131	135	150	154	174	176	...
July ...	100	105	97	112	126	134	139	149	158	171	177	...
August ...	100	106	97	107	128	135	137	151	157	181	181	...
September ...	100	108	97	113	123	134	134	151	158	171	172	...
October ...	100	109	96	113	121	135	137	154	163	162	169	...
November ...	100	109	97	116	124	136	139	152	161	164	171	...
December ...	100	105	99	116	124	131	138	153	165	163	169	...
Year ...	100	105	96	112	123	131	135	148	154	167	170	...

The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years,
1929 to 1931.

22. RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—SYDNEY—WAR PERIOD.

(Base: Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities in 1923-27 = 1,000.)

Quarter.	Food and Groceries.	Rent— 4 and 5 rooms.	Clothing.	Miscellaneous Items.	Total Household Expenditure.	
					Index Number.	Increase from Sept. Quarter, 1939.
						Per cent.
1939—September ...	930	1,039	841	939	933	...
1940—September ...	945	1,042	948	996	973	4'3
1941—September ...	947	1,043	1,129	1,062	1,027	10'1
1942—September ...	1,061	1,042	1,337	1,105	1,122	20'3
1943—March ...	1,050	1,042	1,408	1,145	1,141	22'3
June ...	1,065	1,042	1,479	1,162	1,165	24'9
September ...	1,039	1,042	1,463	1,176	1,154	23'7
December ...	1,015	1,042	1,449	1,179	1,143	22'5
1944—March ...	1,019	1,043	1,443	1,176	1,143	22'5
June ...	1,025	1,043	1,437	1,172	1,143	22'5
September ...	1,035	1,043	1,437	1,167	1,146	22'8
December ...	1,022	1,043	1,441	1,169	1,142	22'4

23. BASIC WAGE—INDUSTRIAL AWARDS.

Amount per week—Adult Males.

YEAR.	Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong— Port Kembla.*				Crown Employees. (All Districts).			
	Quarterly adjustment commencing—							
	February.	May.	August.	November.	February.	May.	August.	November.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1939	81 0	82 0	81 0	82 0	80 0	80 0	80 0	80 0
1940	82 0	83 0	85 0	85 0	81 0	81 0	83 0	84 0
1941	88 0	88 0	89 0	89 0	86 0	87 0	87 0	88 0
1942	91 0	93 0	95 0	97 0	90 0	92 0	94 0	96 0
1943	98 0	98 0	100 0	99 0	97 0	97 0	99 0	98 0
1944	99 0	99 0	99 0	99 0	97 0	97 0	97 0	98 0
1945	99 0	...	...	...	97 0	...	...	...

* In all other districts, except Broken Hill, the rates were 3s. less.

In 1939 quarterly variations commenced in March, June, September and December.

24. PRICES OF METALS.

Average Monthly Prices of Metals (Export Parity f.o.b. Australia) in Australian Currency.

Period.	Silver (Standard).		Lead.		Zinc (Electrolytic).		Tin (Standard).		Gold (Fine).	
	per oz.		per ton.		per ton.		per ton.		per oz.	
	s.	d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1929	2	0.57	21	14 5	25	19 5	200	11 5	4	4 11
1938	2	0.14	17	12 11	19	12 10	228	11 10	8	17 2
1939	2	1.42	17	12 1	19	15 3	268	3 6	9	14 4
1940	2	2.95	18	14 6	22	9 11	292	19 8	10	13 1
1941	2	4.26	19	11 4	22	12 11	295	1 6	10	13 8
1942	2	4.66	21	9 9	22	2 11	285	9 1	10	9 1
1943	2	4.63	22	19 2	23	15 2	283	1 6	10	9 0
1944	2	4.63	26	3 0	24	9 4	335	7 2	10	10 1
1944—August	2	4.63	26	3 11	23	14 9	344	3 4*	10	10 0
September	2	4.63	28	0 5	28	0 2	344	9 6*	10	11 0
October	2	4.63	28	10 10	30	12 5	346	0 6*	10	12 0
November	2	4.63	26	4 6	22	0 6	346	0 6*	10	12 0
December	2	4.63	26	9 4	22	0 6	346	0 6*	10	12 0
1945—January	2	4.80	27	0 5	31	0 7	345	6 7	10	12 0

* Revised.

25. STOCK EXCHANGE INDEX (SYDNEY).

The following index of the values of the principal Company shares on Sydney Stock Exchange embraces the ordinary shares of companies (excluding banking companies) whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales.

The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £ of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average for the whole of the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made where capital is written off or bonus shares are issued.

Month.	23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies.	10 Retail Companies.	8 Public Utility Companies.	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies.	5 Insurance Companies.	Total* Companies 75.	34 Active Shares included in foregoing.
April, 1929	179.3	183.8	129.4	174.1	243.5	174.4	172.6
Sept., 1931	72.3	60.2	87.9	75.2	121.3	74.4	77.2
Mar., 1937	213.8	203.8	181.0	169.2	281.2	190.4	200.5
1944—Feb. ...	237.0	193.8	149.3	135.0	254.1	185.6	200.6
March ...	237.1	194.0	149.7	135.1	254.1	185.7	200.7
April ...	237.2	194.0	150.1	136.9	254.1	185.8	201.0
May ...	237.1	193.8	150.1	138.7	254.1	185.9	201.1
June ...	237.2	194.3	150.4	138.7	254.1	186.0	201.4
July ...	237.3	195.3	150.4	138.8	254.1	186.1	201.5
Aug. ...	237.3	195.8	150.2	139.1	254.1	186.3	201.7
Sept. ...	237.5	196.2	150.6	139.3	254.1	186.6	202.0
Oct. ...	240.2	202.3	160.9	145.0	263.3	192.0	206.6
Nov. ...	240.3	202.6	162.8	145.4	264.1	192.5	207.1
Dec. ...	240.4	203.0	162.5	146.0	264.1	192.6	207.0
1945—Jan. ...	240.6	203.5	162.7	146.3	264.1	192.8	207.3
Feb. ...	241.7	205.0	168.5	148.0	264.5	194.7	209.3

* Including 24 Miscellaneous Companies. § The highest point of the index (75 Companies) prior to the slump was reached in April, 1929; the lowest point was in September, 1931. The highest point of the pre-war period was in March, 1937.

The estimated population of N.S.W. at 30th June, 1944, was 2,870,956 or 39.3 per cent. of the total population of Australia (Sydney and Suburbs, 31st December, 1943, 1,398,170).

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Bureau of Statistics and Economics, 61 Hunter-street, Sydney.

30th March, 1945.

SUPPLEMENT.

1. Population, Births, Deaths and Marriages—Years 1939 to 1944.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year (a).	Live Births.	Deaths.		Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Mean Population.			Infantile Mortality. Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 Live Births.
			Total.	Under 1 year.		Live Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.				
1939.....	2,762,789	48,003	26,815	1,969	25,471	17.47	9.76	9.27	41.0
1940.....	2,782,991	49,382	26,143	1,927	30,304	17.81	9.43	10.95	39.0
1941.....	2,802,014	51,729	27,300	2,264	29,983	18.53	9.73	10.74	43.8
1942.....	2,833,133	52,647	(b) 29,219	2,116	34,533	18.68	10.37	12.25	40.2
1943.....	2,854,862	57,265	(b) 28,870	2,072	26,302	20.16	10.16	9.26	36.2
1944 (d)	(c) 2,870,956	59,611	(b) 26,655	1,828	26,426	20.76	9.28	9.20	30.7

(a) Including persons enlisted in armed forces wherever located.

(b) Civilians only.

(c) 30th June.

(d) Preliminary.

2. Marriages—Quarterly—1939 to 1944.

Year.	Metropolis.				Remainder of State.			
	Quarter ended—				Quarter ended—			
	March.	June.	September.	December.	March.	June.	September.	December.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1939	3,545	3,837	3,202	4,549	2,431	2,811	2,326	2,770
1940	4,271	4,363	4,770	5,172	2,938	2,781	3,133	2,936
1941	4,249	4,724	3,997	5,738	2,572	3,011	2,631	3,061
1942	5,965	6,044	4,980	5,106	3,327	3,459	2,803	2,849
1943	4,583	4,418	3,691	4,325	2,581	2,402	2,079	2,223
1944	4,389	4,430	3,960	4,272	2,294	2,571	2,324	2,186(d)

(d) Preliminary.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

3. Factories—Years ended June, 1939 to 1944.

Particulars.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
Establishments	9,464	9,458	9,919	10,166	10,110	10,755
Persons Employed, Average*—						
Males	167,172	172,259	194,194	216,856	223,669	226,824
Females	61,609	64,715	71,557	81,389	91,865	96,208
Total	228,781	236,974	265,751	298,245	315,534	323,032
Proportion of Total Employees—	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.
Males	73.07	72.69	73.07	72.71	70.89	70.22
Females	26.93	27.31	26.93	27.29	29.11	29.78
Book Value of—	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Land, Buildings... ..	57,354	58,939	61,887	65,016	72,623	78,978
Plant and Machinery	62,693	64,802	68,533	70,612	73,122	73,804
Value of Materials and Fuel used	128,153	142,589	170,873	200,698	219,907	236,312
Output	218,419	239,199	285,917	339,488	373,489	398,858
Production (Value added to Raw Materials)	90,266	96,609	115,044	138,790	153,582	162,546
Salaries and Wages Paid†—						
Males	38,272	40,808	49,540	64,850	74,554	77,087
Females	6,334	6,885	8,220	10,908	14,346	16,431
Total	44,606	47,693	57,760	75,758	88,900	93,518
Average Salary and Wages†—	£ s.	£ s.	£ s.	£ s.	£ s.	£ s.
Males	238 15	247 0	265 5	309 14	344 12	352 0
Females	103 13	107 4	115 16	134 19	157 5	172 1
Total	201 13	207 17	224 1	261 0	289 0	297 7

* Average during whole year, including working proprietors.

† Excluding amounts drawn by working proprietors.

4. Government and Private Factories—Years 1938–39 to 1943–44.

Year ended 30th June.	Government Factories.*				Private Factories.			
	Establish- ments.	Employees. ‡	Salaries and Wages paid.	Net Value of Production. †	Establish- ments.	Employees. ‡	Salaries and Wages paid.	Net Value of Production. †
	No.	No.	£000	£000	No.	No.	£000	£000
1939	72	16,206	4,098	5,618	9,392	215,594	49,508	84,648
1940	72	17,226	4,529	6,310	9,386	222,126	43,164	90,299
1941	78	21,230	5,999	8,118	9,841	246,650	51,761	106,926
1942	118	28,411	9,244	12,084	10,048	273,709	66,314	126,706
1943	140	37,602	13,016	16,443	9,970	280,715	75,884	137,139
1944	145	39,572	13,590	16,679	10,610	286,584	79,928	145,867

* Factories and workshops owned and operated by State and Commonwealth Governments (including railway workshops, printing offices, munition factories, etc., but excluding annexes operated by private companies on behalf of the Government).

† Before deducting depreciation and various overhead charges.

‡ Average during period of operation, including working proprietors.

5. Factories—Classes of Industry, 1943–44.

Class of Industry.	No. of Establish- ments.	Persons Employed. *	Salaries and Wages Paid. †	Value of Materials Fuel and Power Used.	Value of Output.	Value of Production. ‡
			£000	£000	£000	£000
Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ...	145	3,547	1,148	4,247	6,597	2,350
Bricks, Pottery and Glass, etc. ...	137	5,669	1,729	1,849	4,442	2,593
Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paint, Oil and Grease	403	11,788	3,356	14,669	24,327	9,658
Industrial Metals, Machines, Imple- ments and Conveyances	3,127	163,023	53,452	101,273	179,798	78,525
Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate ...	86	857	207	252	654	402
Textiles and Textile Goods (not Dress)	263	20,383	4,453	13,446	21,548	8,102
Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear)	259	6,016	1,667	5,144	7,896	2,752
Clothing	1,925	32,188	6,019	12,022	22,069	10,047
Food, Drink and Tobacco	1,835	33,662	8,737	54,555	75,815	21,260
Woodworking and Basketware ...	1,046	12,815	3,441	8,295	13,839	5,544
Furniture, Bedding, etc.	285	3,920	1,035	2,030	3,786	1,756
Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book- binding, etc.	654	15,095	4,071	7,991	16,049	8,058
Rubber	102	4,005	1,232	3,859	5,504	1,645
Musical Instruments	14	262	72	55	175	120
Miscellaneous	330	6,096	1,493	2,027	4,573	2,546
Heat, Light and Power	144	3,706	1,406	4,598	11,786	7,188
Total	10,755	323,032	93,518	236,312	398,858	162,546

* Average during whole year, including working proprietors.

† Excluding drawings by working proprietors

‡ Value of output at factory less value of materials and fuel used.

BUILDING INDUSTRY.

6. Private and Government Building—Value—Years 1939 to 1944.

Year.	Private (Permits Issued by Councils).				Government Buildings in N.S.W.	Total Recorded Private and Government Building.
	Metropolis.	129 Country Towns.	Seven Shires Adjacent to Metropolis.	Total of Foregoing.		
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1939	12,220	4,261	1,101	17,582	1,065*	.....
1940	11,718	3,744	1,143	16,605	3,566	20,171
1941	10,847	3,422	1,336	15,605	4,619	20,224
1942	1,446	814	265	2,525	4,476	7,001
1943	1,361	394	114	1,869	4,320	6,189
1944	1,603	587	283	2,473	2,850	5,323

* July to December.

7. Private Building—Permits Issued by Councils for New Buildings, Alterations and Additions—Value—Years 1943 and 1944.

Statistical Division.	Houses and Flats.	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops.		Factories.	Private Garages.	Other.	Total.
			With Dwellings.	Other. *				
Year 1943.								
City of Sydney	£ 1,013	£ 9,617	£	£ 5,710	£ 128,836	£ 297	£ 102,973	£ 248,446
Suburbs—								
Inner Industrial	8,187	47	2,054	166	519,876	1,038	3,637	535,005
Illawarra-Bankstown	39,032	.....	266	895	59,767	10,480	11,036	121,476
Inner Western	6,605	875	86	10	90,911	2,403	14,004	114,894
Outer Western	8,819	135	209	909	157,549	2,218	13,025	182,864
Northern	19,750	24	54	423	38,051	3,941	34,597	96,840
Eastern	9,023	175	405	20	509	991	49,995	61,118
Sydney and Suburbs	92,429	10,873	3,074	8,133	995,499	21,368	229,267	1,360,643
129 Country Towns	12,206	138,800	8,811	11,586	108,907	15,612	98,637	394,559
7 Shires Adjacent to Metropolis	65,583	1,900	.....	450	20,216	4,794	20,886	113,829

Year 1944.

City of Sydney	£ 5,079	£ 6,849	£	£ 11,733	£ 182,233	£	£ 126,160	£ 332,054
Suburbs—								
Inner Industrial	9,394	23	1,045	1,439	409,380	1,022	11,008	433,401
Illawarra-Bankstown	148,671	368	280	344	72,780	11,267	17,462	251,172
Inner Western	36,692	250	687	520	102,770	2,908	9,488	153,535
Outer Western	27,205	.....	145	1,303	165,445	3,350	4,171	201,679
Northern	66,873	395	717	3,090	44,957	4,263	39,267	159,562
Eastern	15,655	1,162	984	446	47,625	553	5,050	71,475
Sydney and Suburbs	309,899	9,047	3,858	18,875	1,025,190	23,363	212,696	1,602,928
129 Country Towns	233,691	3,387	3,666	18,271	167,137	17,021	143,557	586,670
7 Shires Adjacent to Metropolis	199,234	1,500	.....	3,432	32,631	5,956	39,979	282,732

* Includes Public Garages.

8. New Dwellings—Private and Government—Years 1943 and 1944.

Particulars.	1943.		1944.	
	No.*	Value.	No.*	Value.
Private Dwellings, Permits Issued by Councils—		£		£
Metropolis	103	33,844	411	178,217
129 Country Towns	258	76,856	375	138,075
7 Shires adjacent to Metropolis	148	46,840	334	157,336
Total, Private	509	157,540	1,120	473,628
Dwellings Built by Government—				
Metropolis	2	1,375	440	472,048
Remainder of State	339	125,283	159	159,462
Total, Government	341	126,658	599	631,512
Total New Dwellings—Private and Government (as recorded)...	850	284,198	1,719	1,105,140
Demolitions, etc., notified by Councils	112	.....	132	.....

* Private dwellings include flat units, new and converted, and dwellings attached to shops; Government dwellings include temporary (duration of war) houses.

